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PRESENTATIONS TO MR. J.
GRAY SCOTT.

An interesting ceremony took place at the Tramway Depot on Monday when Mr. J. Gray Scott, who is retiring from the position of general manager of the Electric Traction Co. of Hongkong, Ltd., was the recipient of farewell presents. On behalf of the Traffic Staff, Mr. A. Course presented Mr. Scott with an album with hand-drawn carriages and silver mountings. On the front cover of the book two dragons were carved in the shape of a circle, within this being a tramcar in perspective. The book contained an illuminated address and the signatures of the men employed on the Traffic Staff; as well as some forty photographs of the Tramway system. A gold fob chain with his name inscribed on one side, and lucky Chinese characters on the other, was included in the presentation. Mr. Course asked Mr. Scott to accept the gifts as a mark of the appreciation and esteem in which they held him. The gifts would form a memento of his residence in Hongkong as Chief Engineer and General Manager of the Tramway Company, and he had no doubt that Mr. Scott would be all the more pleased to accept them when he learned that subscriptions to defray the cost were started entirely on the initiative of the Chinese Staff.

Mr. Scott said he accepted the gifts with the greatest of pleasure. He had always had every assistance from the staff, which made his work much easier. He was sorry to leave Hongkong, but trusted that the staff would extend the same assistance to his successor as they had to him.

Mr. Malden, assistant engineer, on behalf of the Engineering Staff, presented Mr. Scott with a morocco bound album containing an address and photographs of the engineers in the Tramway Service.

Mr. Scott returned thanks for the present, and then, on behalf of the engineers presented Mr. Malden, who is also leaving the Colony, with a similar book to the one he had received.

Mr. Scott is to be entertained at dinner to-morrow night at the Hongkong Hotel by a number of prominent residents.

MASONIC INSTALLATION.

M. F. Comp. T. F. Hough presided at the Nineteenth Annual Convocation of the District Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Hongkong and South China held on Monday evening, M. F. Comp. T. F. Hough invested the following Officers:

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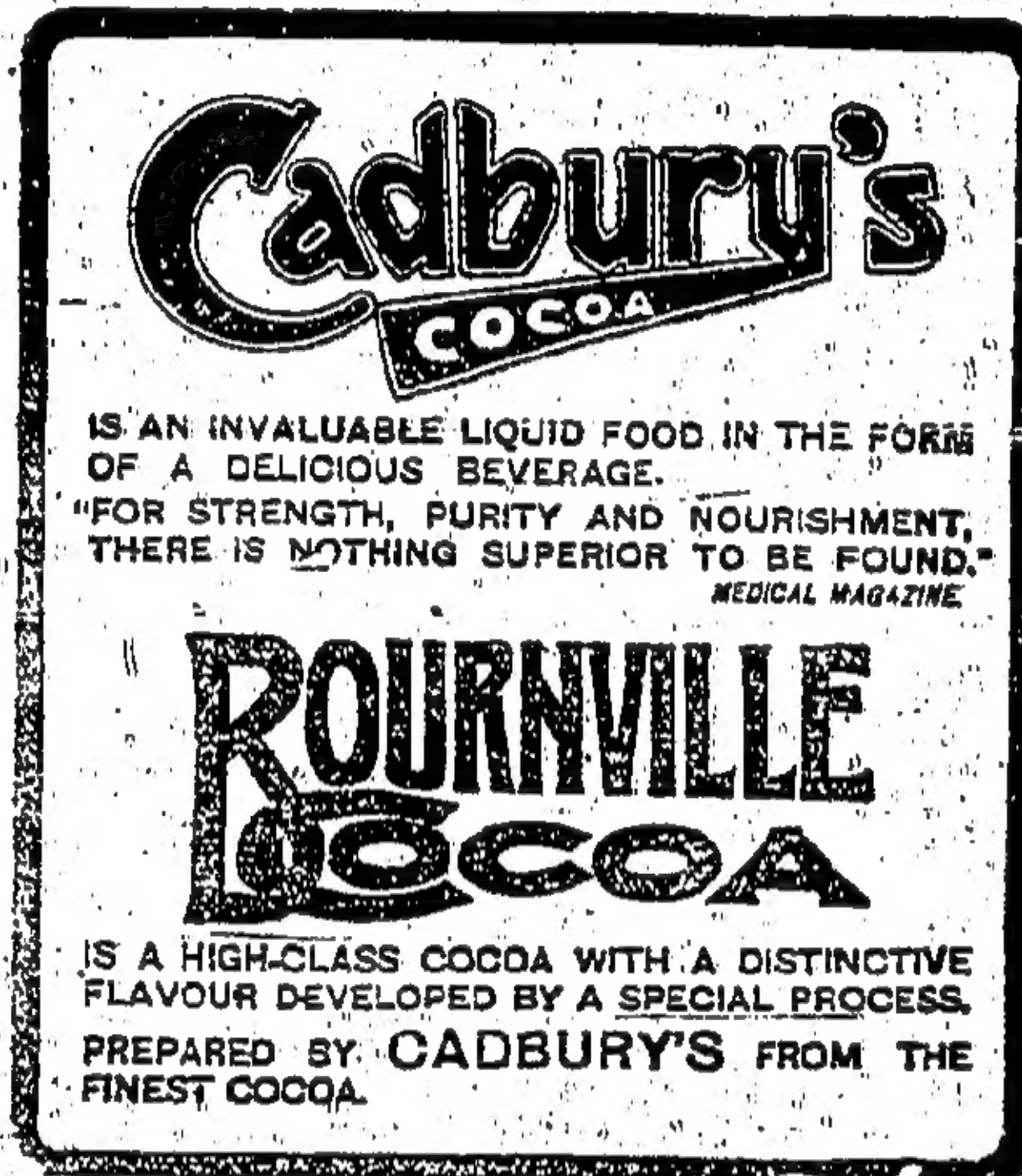
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poses:

1. To receive the Report and Accounts
of the Committee for the year end-
ing 31st December, 1908.
2. To elect a New Committee.
3. To transact any general business.

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CHINESE METHODS OF
RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION.

From time to time news has been
published in the daily press of a rather
disquieting nature regarding the jeopardiz-
ing of British interests in some of the
railway undertakings in China. Now, we
think, has portended an unfortunate con-
dition, as that published by the
Times, from it Peking correspondent.

This had reference to the state of
the Shanghai-Pingchow-Ningpo Railway,
in which some 15 millions of British capital
has been invested. The loan agreement for
this line was signed on March 5, 1908, the
contracting parties being, on the one hand,
the Waiwupai and the Yuchuanpu and
on the other, the British and Chinese
Corporation, Limited. The line runs from
Shanghai, through Fengcheng, to Kaho-
sing, thence to Huihu and Kungchow,
and thence to Chingchow and Ningpo,
altogether 233 miles of line. The original
agreement provided for the appointment
of a British engineer-in-chief, and for the
purchase of materials in the open mar-
ket, but other things being equal, the
proposal to be with English manufac-
turers. If materials were purchasable in
China, other things being equal, they
were to be purchased there, in order to
encourage Chinese industry. This original
agreement, which left, apparently, the main
control in the hands of the Yuchuanpu—
for the British engineer was to be under
this Board of Communications or the
managing director appointed by it—was
brushed aside by an Imperial edict of April
15 last, when permission was given for the
construction of the line under private,
instead of official, management. The
result seems to have been deplorable. 109
miles of track are laid between Shang-
hai and Chientang, and over 71 miles
of this trains are now running.

However, even on this portion much work
remains to be done. The British engineer-
in-chief has no authority, and is not per-
mitted to interfere with the work; with
what results may be imagined, when it is
stated that only Chinese are employed on
the work, many of them having no previous
engineering knowledge. The individual
in charge of the Kungchow section has only
a rudimentary knowledge of such work.
The man at the head of the Chingchow
section spent one year at a college in
California, where his name probably
figures honourably in the roll of appoint-
ments obtained by past students. He is the
son-in-law of the president of the com-
pany. This same president, who is a
man apparently well versed in the
annals of Confucius, has appointed a
favourite student of his as engineer in
control of another 20-mile section, in
spite of complete lack of engineering
training. These methods of making ap-
pointments have led to the natural results
of bad work. Native rails of obsolete
section are used, spiked to softwood
sleepers that are quickly destroyed. Each
director orders rolling-stock in turn, so
that, as may be expected, there are many
more varieties than are required. But the
most interesting points are connected
with bridge-building by these "engineers."

In one instance a bridge was built on land,
owing to the difficulty of throwing the
span across the stream, and a diversion
channel was then cut for the river, to make
it pass under the bridge. This, it must be
admitted, is ingenious, but hardly what
might have been expected of one of the
eldest and most famous bridge-building
nations of the world. In another case,
difficultly being experienced in making a
midstream pier for a bridge, the expedient
of making an island in the middle of the
river was adopted. Having made an island
the pier was built on it. This kind of
work in connection with streams as deep
and swift as many of the Chinese rivers
are, and liable as they are to change their
course, is nothing less than remarkable,
as it might be thought their ancient skill
with masonry structures would prevent the
adoption of such extraordinary methods—
Engineering.

Rudolf von Reubers, one of the most
eminent physicians of Germany, has died
after an operation for gallstones. He was
physician to the late Empress Frederick
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accompanied the Emperor William and his
Majesty conferred upon him a hereditary
title of nobility.

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to be completed, cost £1,324,873, or at the
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ton in the case of the Dreadnought, 17,000
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Hongkong, March 25, 1909.

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Shrimp, -Po Yu	11	鮮蝦
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Snapper, -Kap Yu	72	鮮魚
Sole, -Tai So Yu	98	鮮魚
Tench, -Wan Yu	18	鮮魚
Tu hot, -Cho How Yu	24	鮮魚
Turtles, small, fresh water, -Kork Yu	60	鮮魚
White, Boiled, -Sung Yu		鮮魚

Fruits			
Almonds.—Hong Yau	...	...	每 50
Apples (California).—Kim San Ping Khe	...	...	40
(Chafco).—Tin Chun Ping Khe	...	...	...
Small.—Hoi Tong	...	...	...
Custard.—Fan Lai Chi	...	...	...

[illegible]

Cocoanuts.—Yeh Tan	each	10
Lemons, China—Ning Moong	do	10
" " America—Kum San Ning Moong	"	10
Lichees Dried—Lai Chi Small Stone	do	10
" " Fresh	do	10
Limes, (Saigon)—Sai Kung Ning Moong	do	10
Mango, Manila—Lui Seng Moong	do	15
Mangosteens—San Chuk Tin	do	15

Oranges, (Canton) — See Shing Tin Chang lb	12	省城	
Oranges Sweet	...	15	省城
Orars. (American) — Kam Sau Shui hi	...	16	金山
(Canton), Cooking. — Sa Li	...	11	炒菜
PANDUA — Fa Sang	...	10	花生
Peramomom Large, — Hung Chie	...	—	紅梅
Pine-apples, Its quality, — Sheung Poon Yi	...	—	本地
Paw Law	...	13	中等
2nd classing — Ching-tang	...	—	大票
Mastina, — Tai Chee	...	3	紅票
Plums, — Swatow Hung Lo	...	—	紅票
Slamo, Slam Ching Lo Yau	...	20	紅票

Shanghai—Lo Kwat	...	1b	—	上海
Wakute, Hop 100	...	12	—	合生合
Green, —Sang Hop Tuo	...	—	—	生合
Woon Malon (Am) Kum San Sai Kwa	...	—	—	金山

(China) Sai Kwa	—
Grade.—Sang Po Tai Tsa	—
Vegetables, &c		

西人
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菜蔬

Artichoke, Shanghai—Sengng Hai	6	洋蔥
Chi Cheek
Bean, (French), Mao, —Ch'oon Pin Tai	10	澳門豆
(French), Shanghai—Sengng Hai	...	...	...	...
Pin Tai	...	...	...	上海豆
Sprout—Ah Choi	...	...	5	芽菜
Long—Tau Kok	...	...	...	豆角
Beet Root—Hung Choi Tau	...	...	2	紅菜
Brinjal, Green—Ching Yau Fui	...	...	5	青元
Red—Hung Kae	...	...	5	紅茄
Cabbage, Chinese, com.—Kai Choy	...	...	3	白菜
Cabbage Red—Hung Yau Choy	...	...	10	紅菜
Cabbage, (Shanghai)—Yeh Choi	...	...	10	榨菜
Cane Shoot, bunch—Kau Shuen	...	...	...	蔗芽

Cauliflower, Large size.—Tai Yeh Choh-fa	each	—	大椰菜
" Medium size.—Cheng Yeh Choh-fa	"	—	中椰菜
" Small size.—Sai Yeh Choh-fa	"	—	細椰菜
Carrots.—Kam Shun	lb	5	金笋
Celery, Chinese.—Tong Kan Choh	"	5	唐芹

English, — Keung,	50	乾菜
Chilies Dried, — On Lai Chiu	50	乾菜
Red, — Chung Fa,	50	紅花菜
Green, — Hing Lai Chiu	50-1	綠花菜
Carry Stuff, English, — Ma Lee Cho Lie	10	加厘菜
Cucumbers, — Ching Kwa	4	青瓜
Bitter Squash, — Fu Kwa	10	苦瓜
Gaville, — Sun Tai	8	芥蘭
Unger, young, — Sun Tai Keung	5	芥子
" old, — Lo Keung	5	老芥
Home Radish, — Hai-Lik Kan	12	力萊
Indian Corn, — Suk Mai	place	粟米
Lettuce, — Yeung Sang Choi	1	洋生菜
Water Chenai, — Ma Tai	16	馬蹄
" Mandarin, — Kwa Lum Ma Tai,	8	桂林馬蹄
Meatbroths, Fresh, — Sang Cho Hoi	1	生滾
Salt Males, — Lam, — Kan San Hoi Ka aah	1	金山菜

Oakes,		lb.			
Onions, Bombay,—Young Chong Tau		"	7		洋蔥苗
" Green,—Sang Ohng		"	8		生葱
" Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Chum Tau		"	6		上海蔥頭
Papaw, 1st qual.—Tai Man Sau Kwa	cash	12.			大英番菓

Parley,—Kun Cho	...	...	per b	10	斤菜
Green Peas,—Ching Tan	...	...	...	8	青豆
Potatoes, Sweet,—Fan Shu	...	...	...	5	番薯
...

Shanghai, Shantung, Shensi, Shensi	日本
Japan, Yat Poon See Tai	花旗
American, Fa Ki	花旗
Yoochow, Fuk Chau See Tai	冬瓜
Pumpkin, Tong Kow	冬瓜
Radish, Hung Lo Pak Tai	紅蘿蔔
Rumbarb (Fresh), Tai Wong	大芥
Haga, Oni Go	紫菜
Shalots, Oon Chau Tai	乾葱
Spinach, Yin Oel	白菜
Tomatoes, Fan Ker	蕃茄
Turnep, Wa Tai	蘿蔔

Taratips, Small, (Long) - Low Pak	8	紅菊
English - Young Low Pak trees	8	紅牡丹
Vegetable Marrow - Chit Kwa	10	筍瓜
(Am.) - Kum San Choi Tree	10	山竹及
Water Cress - Sai Young Choi	10	西洋菜
Lily root - Lin Ngan	7	蓮子
Yams - Tai Sho	6	大薯

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Noon—Auction of Valuable Leasehold

Property, at Messrs Hughes & Hough's

Sales Rooms.

Meetings.

Noon—Meeting of Union Insurance So-

ciety of Canton, Ltd., at Head Office

12, 30 p.m.—Meeting of China Traders'

Insurance Co., Ltd., at Head Office.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—Performance at the City Hall.

Miscellaneous

Good per Always not cleared at 4 p.m.

on this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, April 22—

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-

ture, at No. 7, Burrow Terrace, Kow-

loon.

Goods per Silesia undelivered after this

date subject to rent.

Goods per China undelivered after this

date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, April 23—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Chinese Porcelain,

at Mr Geo. P. Lamont's Sales

Rooms.

4 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong General

Chamber of Commerce at City Hall.

8.15 p.m.—Concert of H.K. Philharmonic

Society at City Hall.

Goods per Nippon Maru undelivered at

noon on this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, April 24—

Noon—Meeting of Hongkong Electric

Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

3.30 p.m.—First Meeting of Hongkong

Gymkhana Club at Happy Valley.

MONDAY, April 26—

2.20 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-

ture, at No. 10, Kennedy Road.

TUESDAY, April 27—

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-

ture, at No. 11, Salisbury Avenue, Kow-

loon.

FRIDAY, April 30—

2.15 p.m.—Meeting of His Majesty's

Justices of the Peace at the Magistracy.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 1909.

ROMANCE OF TREATY-MAKING.

"ROMANCE is dead," said the dullard

in one of RUDYARD KIPPLING's well-known

poems; and in answer to the querulous

protest "Romance brought up the 9.15."

Romance, we are assured by some

folks, died away amid the gross

materialism of the final decades of

the nineteenth century. But is it so?

The building of the British Empire

from the day when we acquired

Newfoundland right down to the very

latest acquisitions in Malaya has been

nothing but one long romance, a ro-

mance as vivid and interesting in

the present year of grace as it was

in the spacious days of Good

Queen Bess. Only the discerning eye

and the receptive mind are necessary,

but perhaps these are not the possession

of everybody. A well-informed cor-

respondent of the London Standard

assures us that there is not a little

romance hidden behind the recently

signed treaty with Siam, by which the

British Empire received an accession of

15,000 square miles of territory, and

after reading his story we thoroughly

believe it. He says:—"If one takes a

map of the Malay Peninsula, tracing with

one's finger from Bangkok right down to

Singapore, one comes a little more than

half-way down to the State of Kelantan.

Herein is situated the concession of a

development company, and with the

history of this company runs to some

extent, the history of the Anglo-Siam-

ese Treaty. On the eastward coast of the

peninsula is the State of Tringannu,

its capital, Kota Bharu, being at the

mouth of a river which runs through

into the adjoining State of Kelantan.

But for a concession granted by the

Raja of Kelantan to this English com-

pany, it is possible that the question of

the status of these two territories would

not have arisen. But the Raja of

Kelantan regarded himself as an in-

dependent Sovereign, owing neither

allegiance nor revenue to the King of

Siam, free to conduct his own State,

negotiate his own treaties, and grant as

he pleased him such concessions as he

might think advisable. There was a

treaty between Siam and Great Britain

in 1896 which supported this view, for

distinct clauses in the treaty dealt with

the position of the two States. But

Siam gradually assumed airs of suzer-

ainty. The basis of this claim was the

'Golden Flower,' that picturesque gift

which comes yearly from the chiefs of

the minor States to their great neigh-

bour. 'A token of allegiance,' inter-

preted Siam; 'a propitiating gift from

a small State to a great and powerful

State,' explained Kelantan, and pointed

out that Burma, indisputably a Sover-

eign State, and Siam herself, no less

independent, sent 'Golden Flowers' to

the Emperor of China. Yet the rights

of the Briton to trade freely with the

two States were well defined in the

treaty of 1896, and so long as the

requirements of British trade did not

demand intervention there was no need

to define more particularly the political

status of Kelantan and Tringannu.

So these States, tolerating the assump-

tion of suzerainty, pursued their course.

English traders came, and for the main

part failed, either from inexperience or

because their trading rights had not

been properly secured. But with the

increasing prosperity of the southern

States, those States where British in-

fluence had made itself felt with such

wonderful results, there came the fringe

of the southern success to throw into

contrast the poverty and madadministra-

tion of the northern States. Then came

the development company, who were

granted by the Raja two concessions,

one of which gave them the right to

develop for their profit the resources of

some 3000 square miles of country, and

the other fiscal rights over a much

larger area which embraced and extend-

ed beyond the geographical limits of

the other. Here, in the briefest possible

space, is the story of the beginning

of the friction, although 'friction' is much

too strong a word to use to describe

what was never more than an incom-

patibility between Siam and her

suzerain States. The agreement the

company made with the Raja was

ratified in Siam, but it was made very

evident that the ratification was *politique*

rather than a diplomatic necessity.

With this situation Great Britain was

confronted: Who was responsible for

the States of Kelantan and Tringannu?

To whom might the British Government

look for redress should redress be

needed? It was obviously impossible

to expect it from the Rajas, who had

not the means to enforce their wishes,

and with this situation existing the

treaty that followed was inevitable.

Germany has a hold upon Siam through

the Northern Railway. She might,

had she the time, have driven a wedge

of commercial activity between

British Burma on the north-west

and the Federated Malay States in

the south. But the agreement that has

been come to between the British

Government and Siam has placed an

insuperable barrier between which no

outside influence can now remove. The

Siamese suzerainty has been renounced

over Kelantan, and, instead, British

protection has been extended, with, one

cannot but feel, the most beneficent

results.

The maker of the treaty, Mr RALPH

PACER, who bears a name which has

figured frequently in the romance of

English history, is to be congratulated

on the quiet success of his negotiations

with Siam and if the prosperity and calm

which has attended the southern Malay

States under British guidance is

duplicated in the northern, then the

Empire will have no cause to complain

of the increase in its burdens which the

newly signed treaty involves.

Earl Beauchamp, who was so successful

as Governor of New South Wales, is spoken

of as the probable successor of Earl Grey

as Governor-General of Canada.

Shanghai papers state that R. W. Fox,

Dr. Fox will be installed D. G. M. of

Northern China on April 30th, by Sir

Paul Chater, D. G. M. Hongkong and

South China.

GOOD-BYE, HEADLINES! Is what people

say who have seen the headlines of the

daily paper, and who say, "Well, that's

the end of the line, it's all over, it's

all over, it's all over, it's all over, it's

all over, it's all over, it's all over, it's

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HOLLAND'S HOPE.

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London, April 20.

Queen Wilhelmina attended service in the Palace chapel yesterday morning and also walked in the garden.

It is semi-officially explained that the extraordinary preparations made to announce the birth within the past fortnight were rendered necessary owing to the possibility of a surprise, but it can now be regarded that the announcement is not quite imminent.

PRINCE NASHIMOTO IN FRANCE.

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London, April 20.

President Fallieres has received Prince Nashimoto.

GERMANY'S NAVAL ADVANCEMENT.

DREADNOUGHTS TO BE ECLIPSED.

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London, April 20.

Mr Asquith, the Premier, speaking at Glasgow, referred to Germany's activity in naval construction and hinted at the possibility of Germany developing an entirely new type of battleship vastly superior to the Dreadnoughts.

A DRACONIAN SUGGESTION.

(Wah Tsai Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, April 19.

Prince Kung, on behalf of the Optium Commissioners, suggests hanging as the maximum punishment for opium-smoking officials.

TO ENCOURAGE TECHNICAL STUDY.

(Wah Tsai Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, April 19.

The Board of Communications has asked for an Imperial grant towards the funds of the Industrial College at Shanghai in order that technical studies may be introduced.

THE GERMAN RAILWAY LOAN.

(Wah Tsai Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, April 19.

The railway loan convention in connection with the Canton-Hankow Railway is about to be concluded with the German financial syndicate.

SHALL THE REGENT TRAVEL?

(Wah Tsai Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, April 19.

Princes Tsai, Tao and Tsai San have urged their brother, the Prince Regent, to travel about the Empire for the sake of obtaining an insight into the domestic life of the people. Chang Chih-tung strongly objects to the proposal.

THE PRATAS.

(Wah Tsai Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, April 19.

The Pratas affair is being discussed by the Waiwupu and the Japanese Minister. It is proposed that the Islands be thrown open as a treaty port, special privileges being accorded the Japanese.

WHOLESALE DENUNCIATION.

(Wah Tsai Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, April 19.

Viceroy Chan Kai-tai, of Kiangsu, denounces Tsoai Chai Nai Wang, of Shanghai, as a reckless, unprincipled and corrupt official who should be dismissed from office.

SALT SHORTAGE IN KWANTUNG.

(Wah Tsai Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, April 19.

Viceroy Chang of Canton, reports that there is a shortage of salt in Kwantung and he asks that two hundred thousand piculs be sent from Chihli and Shantung to meet the demand, and that this salt should be relieved of Customs dues. Imperial sanction has been given to the request.

THE RECOVERY OF A BANK DRAFT.

The case in which Man Lee Chan and Co., sued the International Banking Corporation for \$340 in respect to a bank draft, came again before Mr Justice Gompertz, at the Supreme Court, this morning.

Hon. Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., instructed by Mr Otto Kong Sing, appeared for the plaintiff, and the Hon. Mr H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr C. D. Wilkinson, defended.

Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., for the plaintiff, submitted that the defendants were not protected by the statute because the bill which they paid did not, on the face of it, purport to be endorsed by the person in whose favour it was drawn. The bill was drawn in English payable to a firm whose name was on it in English, Man Lee Chan and Co.

His Lordship:—Perhaps that is the only way which it could be drawn. Sir Henry Berkeley:—Yes, Continuing, Sir Henry Berkeley said that they looked for the only proper endorsement, which could purport to be of Man Lee Chan and Co., in English.

His Lordship:—If they take any other endorsement they take it at their own risk.

Sir Henry Berkeley submitted further that if a bill drawn in English with the name in English is not endorsed in English it is not properly endorsed in Chinese. If it could properly be endorsed in Chinese the case lay with the banker to show that the endorsement in Chinese duly represented, in the Chinese characters, the name of the payee. So far as the evidence had gone the plaintiff declared that the endorsement Man Lee Chan Sing Kee and Co., does not represent the Chinese equivalent of the name in English of Man Lee Chan and Co. There was as yet no evidence to the contrary and the Court must therefore accept that and it was impossible to non-suit on those grounds.

His Lordship:—Yes, I think that. Dealing with the question of good faith Sir Henry Berkeley said that Mr Pollock had argued that the element of good faith did not enter into the construction of the act and that it was confined to section 60 of the Bills of Exchange Act. That was a contention which could not be supported. On the face of it, it went too far as it would make it possible to pay the money in bad faith which was ridiculous. If they had not acted in good faith they were not protected. A banker who paid a bill within a few days, almost hours, of which the bank had been informed that it was stolen should not be held by the Court to have acted in good faith in the ordinary course of business within the meaning of the words used in the statute. Sir Henry Berkeley then dealt with the liability in conversion and for the money held in trust and said that by paying the money the bank had acknowledged that they held the money in trust.

S. Clarke, cashier of the bank at the Hongkong office, questioned by the Hon. Mr H. E. Pollock, K.C., stated the cashier had sanctioned the payment of drafts drawn on the bank. One of the drafts would examine the endorsement in the case of Chinese characters. Witness remembered, in December, a Chinaman coming into the bank with reference to a draft. He said through an interpreter that it had been stolen or lost in the post and asked witness to stop payment. Witness asked for further particulars, the number of the draft, place of issue, &c. Witness was subsequently advised by them to communicate with the defendants to stop payment and give full particulars. Witness did not hear from the drawers by wire but received a letter from them, which reached defendants' office after the draft had been paid. No telegram was received corresponding with that letter. Before the payment was made the person did not tell witness the number of the draft, place of issue, &c. Witness was completely ignorant of these facts when the draft was paid. The defendants received a letter from Mr Otto Kong Sing with reference to the draft and a reply was forwarded, witness being consulted with regard to it. No notice in writing was tendered to witness with regard to the draft and witness explained that he would have had to have gone right through the register before he could have traced the draft.

His Lordship reserved his decision.

CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

A FALSE REPORT.

The authorities lately were informed that the well-known pirate Luk Lau Chun, whose various infamies have made his name so dreaded on the river, was in hiding at Singapore. Officials were sent to that port in order to effect his arrest if possible but on arrival it was found that the man was no longer there. The Viceroy has given directions that the detectives use all their efforts and skill to arrest this disturber of the peace before he causes further trouble.

A PIRATE'S FUNERAL.

A follower of the above-mentioned desperado, and himself the author of many crimes, was lately arrested and tried. His many enormities being proved against him he was, in due course, beheaded. By some means or other the criminal's uncle managed to get possession of the corpse. It is stated that over one hundred and eighty of the pirate's associates were present at the funeral. They followed the coffin in procession, all of them being armed to the teeth in expectation of a collision with the police.

The Mayor of Adelaide has told his council the other day that the decision of the Tramways Trust not to run electric cars on Sunday mornings was Sabatatarianism run mad, and intimated that a deputation would approach the managing engineer on the point.

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AN INFECTED AREA.

A special meeting of the Sanitary Board was held to-day, for the purpose of declaring No. 19 shed of the Dairy Farm Company's premises at Sassoon's Villa, Pokfulam Road, to be infected with rinderpest. The Colonial Veterinary Surgeon reported that rinderpest had broken out in No. 19 shed of the Dairy Farm Company's premises at Sassoon's Villa, Pokfulam Road. There were seven cows and one calf in the shed. One of the cows was noticed to be ill on the 16th inst., and removed to the hospital shed. The disease proved to be rinderpest and the remainder of the cows were also removed to the hospital shed. The first cow attacked died on the 19th inst. The remainder had been inoculated.

Mr R. O. Hutchison presided and there were present Dr Fitzwilliams, Mr Shelton Hooper, Mr Ho Kum Tong, Dr Clarke, Medical Officer of Health, Mr Lau Chiu Pak, the secretary, Mr W. Bowen-Rowlan, and Mr Adam Gibson, Colonial Veterinary Surgeon.

The President moved that the shed be declared an infected area.

Mr Lau Chiu Pak seconded and the motion was carried.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE V.R.C. SPORTS.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")
Sir,—I am obliged to you for kindly clearing up a misunderstanding which existed regarding my status as an amateur runner. At the V.R.C. sports I was clearly entitled to compete, being a member of the Hongkong A.A.A., and I was greatly disappointed that the other entrants in the races for which I entered did not come out, for although I secured the prizes it would have been far more satisfactory to me to have been properly competed against. I have always tried to set the sportsman both on and off the track, as will be shown by the enclosed letter from the Captain of the Pretoria Harriers Association which was sent to the Secretary of the Hongkong A.A.A., and was the means of my securing admission as a member of that body. I will thank you to publish it.—Faithfully yours,
A. W. ANDREWS.
(Copy).

The Hon. Secretary,
Amateur Athletic Club, Hongkong.

Dear Sir,
I have just learned with much regret that you have accused Lance-Cpl. A. W. Andrews, of the Buffs, now stationed at Murray Barracks, and a member of the Pretoria Harriers and Athletic Club, of being a professional athlete. I can only conclude that you are under a serious misapprehension in regard to the rules and laws governing amateur athletics, or otherwise that you are anxious, for some unknown reason, to perpetuate an act of gross injustice.

Your contention is, I understand, that a soldier who receives a cash prize at Regimental or purely Military Meetings is a professional and as such, and for that reason, you so classify Cpl. Andrews. Now let me quote from the laws of the Transvaal A.A.A., which are in line with those of the British A.A.A., the recognized controlling body of amateur athletics and by which Association your Club is doubtless governed, though indirectly, by means of a District Association (if such exists) to which you are affiliated. Clause C, Law No. 1, reads:—

"Competitions at arms between 'Volunteers and Regulars' and all 'Regimental Sports' shall not be considered as coming within the scope of the Association Laws."
The above ruling has always been recognised in South Africa, and I am referring a copy of this correspondence to the Pretoria District Centre of the Transvaal A.A.A. for a certificate regarding the amateur status of the Athlete mentioned. I would also point out that the Pretoria Harriers A.C. is recognised as one of the strongest and keenest Athletic Clubs in the country, and in administrative circles, and the Executive would not, under any circumstances, admit to the honour of membership anyone to whom the slightest exception could be taken.

Regarding Cpl. Andrews personally, I have to inform you that he has been loyal and active member for the last two years and has always, even at inconvenience to himself, been available as first-class Quarter Miler for the Club 1st Relay Team: in fact, he was a member of the team which established the present S.A. record of 3 min. 45 1/2 sec. for a 2,200 yds. 880 yds. race at the Johannesburg Calendon Sports in May last. He has proved himself a most sportsman-like amateur runner, one who always "played the game."

I ran in the winning team with him at King's College, a distance of 100 yds. on 9th Nov. 1907, when Pto G. Cutts, the present S.A. Army 100 Yards champion, was also a member. Cutts is now stationed at Windburg, C.O., and is running under Cape Colony A.A.A. and C.A. rules. Supper Chamberlain, the Army Quarter Mile champion, is also a champion of the Orange River Colony under O.R.C., A.A.A. and C.A. laws, and Andrews himself, now the present S.A. Army open Quarter Mile champion, has also competed in that Colony in addition to the Transvaal, and, I believe, when at Harriemans, he also ran in Natal.

At any rate, the above instances prove conclusively that Andrews and other soldiers in similar circumstances are not classified by S.A. amateur bodies (and consequently by the British A.A.A., to which the South African A.A.A. and C.A. are affiliated) as Professional Athletes and are entitled to compete as Amateurs.

Of course, a soldier who infringes the laws by competing in any open event not under Association rules is liable to disqualification, in the same way as a civilian athlete.

I trust, therefore, that you will withdraw your accusation, which I can assure you is quite unwarranted and totally undeserved, and exonerate Cpl. Andrews from all suspicion.

I have the honour to be,
Dear Sir, Yours faithfully,
The Captain,
Pretoria Harriers' Athletic Club.

CHINESE Y.M.C.A.

On Thursday night at 8 o'clock Dr. Lau Lai will deliver a lecture on the subject "Prevention of Malaria and kindred diseases."

On Saturday, 24th April, a Concert will be given in the Association Hall for the benefit of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. Band. This organization is making splendid progress under the capable guidance of Mr C. J. Davis, as Band Master. A rare combination of Chinese and English entertainment has been arranged by the Committee. The profit will be devoted to the Band funds for instruments, etc.

On Thursday the 20th April, Mr A. C. Franklin, of the Government Civil Hospital, will give a lecture on "Origin of Rock, with local specimens." There will be a number of lantern slides.

SPORTING.

Lawn Tennis.

THE HONGKONG TOURNAMENT.
Again there was a large attendance of interested spectators at the Hongkong Cricket Club's ground yesterday afternoon to witness some of the games played off in connection with the lawn tennis tournament which is drawing to a close. Greatest interest was evinced in the concluding semi-final and the subsequent commencement of the final in the Professional Paris competition.

PROFESSIONAL PAIRS FINAL.
The semi-final saw Capt. Beasley and Lieut. Byrne opposed to Capt. Murray and Lieut. Thompson. The issue was never in doubt and in the end Beasley and Byrne claimed the match by two sets to love and 12 games to 5. The victory was secured by sound judgment on the part of both the winning men. Thompson was the better man on the other side, several of his hard hits completely baffling his opponents. There was far too much "lobbing" to invest the contest with more than passing interest to the spectators.

PROFESSIONAL PAIRS FINAL.
The final, which followed immediately, produced some fine play, and it was unfortunate that the falling light made a finish impossible. The contestants were the winners of the fore-going match and T. E. Pearce and P. H. Klimanek. The opening set saw the military men walking away with the spoils, for they ended up a love set with a love game.

For a time in the second trial the leaders continued their victorious career, and at the fourth game they held an advantage of 3/1. Mainly as the result of Pearce's good work the civilians drew level. At the eighth and tenth games the two pairs were on an equal footing, though Pearce and Klimanek should have won the set by 6/4, they being twice within one point of victory. However they lost the game as well as the set, the subsequent ones, the set going in favour of the military men by 7/5.

Beasley and Byrne now only to secure the next set to become winners of the competition, and the run of play for the first seven games was all in favour of their distinction. Using much better judgment than their opponents, they made the score 5/2, but then a most remarkable change came over the contest. In was Klimanek's service when the leaders lost the next game 15/50.

In the subsequent game they experienced exceedingly hard lines, the set and match being thrice within reach for the civilians. Pearce, however, was wonderfully agile, and with one of those "smash" which is characteristic of his play he made the score 5/4. Then a love game put victory yet further away from the officers. Turning the tables on the other men, Pearce and Klimanek took the lead on the eleventh game, but "six all" was soon called. The lead was being lost and gained until at "nine all" it was decided to abandon play.

Pair for pair the military men were without question the more consistent players, but Pearce and Klimanek had obtained the verdict with ease. They, however, could not stand the pace towards the end, but they were obviously at a disadvantage in having previously gone through a semi-final. Their placing of the ball, especially Beasley's, caused the other men a good deal of discomfort, but it is also due to the civilians to say that they showed a wonderful improvement during the closing stages of play. This was particularly true of Pearce, who was playing a bright, forceful and strong game when hostilities were suspended.

DOUBLES HANDICAP SEMI-FINAL.
There was a severe tussle fought out in the semi-final of the "A" Class Doubles Handicap, R. O. Hutchison and T. H. King (rec. 3/6) eventually overcoming F. Maitland and F. G. Carroll by two sets to one and 22 games to 19. At the close of the second set it was a case of "sets all games all" the record reading 10/8 in the winning pair's favour and 8/6 against. In the concluding set, however, Hutchison and King came up strongly and got home by 6/3. They will now have to meet Lieut. Byrne and Lieut. Whyte (ows 30/2) in the final.

OTHERS RESULTS.
There were two matches also decided in the Singles Handicap "B" Class. A. R. Sutherland (ows 15/3) defeated W. J. Daniel (ows 15) in the third round; while A. O. Brown (ows 15/4) overcame P. Jacks (rec 2/6) in the fourth round by 6/4, 9/8. In the Singles Handicap, "A" Class, D. E. Clark has scratched to Capt. Brierley, who will face C. A. Carr in the final.

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AMOI NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

WEATHER.

Amoy, April 17.

A very violent North-East gale came on Thursday morning last, bringing a welcome change from the heat of the previous week. Several people affirm they felt a distinct earthquake shock just 4 o'clock on Thursday morning, the 15th inst. The shock lasted about 10 seconds, but was in no way severe.

The Amoy Bachelors gave a dance last night in the Club Theatre at 9 p.m. Music of a very excellent character was supplied by the band of S.M.S. Luchs.

S.M.S. Luchs arrived in port on Thursday afternoon from Foochow and is still here.

SUNSHINE.

Quarantine has been imposed on passengers from Amoy to Manila. The China and Manila S.S. Co's. Zairo was the last boat to leave, taking nearly 500 passengers, with over 100 first class.

The Blue Funnel s.s. Persens is due this afternoon, and is taking the Singapore berth. She will carry some 1200 coolies. These steamers are much favoured by the Chinese, though the fare by Blue Funnel steamer is between \$3 and \$5, while the local vessel carries coolies for about \$2.

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MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, Via SINGAPORE, PENANG.	KANAGAWA MARU, Capt. J. Nagao, Tons 2182	WEDNESDAY, 28th April, at Daylight.

COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.....	KAKATA MARU, Capt. T. Marai, Tons 6161	WEDNESDAY, 11 th May, at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C., AND SEATTLE, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HI, AND YOKOHAMA.....	* AKI MARU, Capt. K. Sato, Tons 5444 CEYLON MARU, Capt. Fred. Pyne, Tons 5068	TUESDAY, 27 th April, at Noon. TUESDAY, 27 th May, at Noon.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, VIA MARIUTUBA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE.	TAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Sekine, Tons 3217 MIKIO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 5538	FRIDAY, 14 th May, at Noon. FRIDAY, 11 th June, at Noon.
YOKOHAMA	HIRANO MARU, Capt. H. Fraser, Tons 9000	THURSDAY, 22 nd April, p.m.
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CHINESE TROOPS IN NORTHERN BURMA.

in the House of Commons Sir Burke
Haffield said the Under Secretary
for India V. R. he has information
to the effect that Chinese troops have entered
the Hacking Valley, in Northern Burma
and that these troops are now very
near to the natives.

Mr Buchanan: The Secretary of State
has no knowledge of any such proceeding
as are described in the question. Reports
have been received of the crossing of
the Burma-Chinese frontier, in its northern
section, by a Chinese party in the autumn
of 1907, but the party withdrew, and
further Chinese encroachments have since
been reported.

NEWS FROM THE HOMELAND

A conference at Glasgow representing 30,000 Roman Catholic trade unionists has protested at the action of the Scottish Trade Union Congress in passing a resolution in favour of secular education. The conference considered the resolution outside the scope of trade unionism.

Since August Mr John Burns, President of the Local Government Board, has authorised 669 leas, amounting to £2,708,689, for work for the unemployed.

More than 100 members of Congress at Oxford University have petitioned university authorities to abolish Herbert Spencer lectureship, and return the endowment to the donor, Mr K. M. Mavarma, the notorious editor of the *Indian Sociologist*, published in Paris.

Sir Thomas Sutherland presided at the inauguration of a scheme for the construction of a canal from the Clyde to the Forth at a cost of £17,000,000. Such a canal, he said, would enable the construction of shipbuilding and repairing yards on Loch Lomond 20 miles outside of possible gun threat. The building of the canal would employ 30,000 men for nine years. The Duke of Argyll and Lord Brassey supported the scheme.

Mr Joseph Chamberlain has constituted the executive committee of the Temperance Reform League, that Mr Balfour, who was the guest of the committee at luncheon for the first time acknowledged the leadership.

Mr Horatio Bottomley, M.P., estimated that the expenses of the defence in the recent prosecution of himself and the other defendants for alleged conspiracy to defraud, the case being dismissed, will amount to £60,000, and that the expenses of the Government will run to £20,000.

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TSINGTAU,	HONGSANG	FRIDAY,	April 23, at No.
SHANGHAI	FOHSANG	FRIDAY,	April 23, at No.
MANILA			
SINGAPORE, PENANG	KUMSANG	TUESDAY,	April 27, at No.
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CALCUTTA			
MANILA	FOHSANG	FRIDAY,	April 30, at No.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA,			
KORE & MOI	KUTSANG	WEDNESDAY,	May 19, at No.

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and TIENTUNG			
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LONDON, April 20.
Queen Wilhelmina attended service in the Palace chapel yesterday morning and also walked in the garden.
It is semi-officially explained that the extraordinary preparations made to announce the birth within the past fortnight were rendered necessary owing to the possibility of a surprise, but can now be regarded as the accompaniment is not quite imminent.

PRINCE NASHIMOTO IN FRANCE.

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LONDON, April 20.
President Fallieres has received Prince Nashimoto.

GERMANY'S NAVAL ADVANCEMENT.

DREADNOUGHTS TO BE ECLIPSED.

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LONDON, April 20.
Mr Asquith, the Premier, speaking at Glasgow, referred to Germany's activity in naval construction and hinted at the possibility of Germany developing an entirely new type of battleship vastly superior to the Dreadnoughts.

A DRACONIAN SUGGESTION.

(Wah Tai Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, April 19.
Prince Kung, on behalf of the Opium Commissioners, suggests hanging as the maximum punishment for opium-smoking officials.

TO ENCOURAGE TECHNICAL STUDY.

(Wah Tai Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, April 19.
The Board of Communications has asked for an Imperial grant towards the funds of the Industrial College at Shanghai in order that technical studies may be introduced.

THE GERMAN RAILWAY LOAN.

(Wah Tai Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, April 19.
The railway loan convention in connection with the Canton-Hankow Railway is about to be concluded with the German financial syndicate.

SHALL THE REGENT TRAVEL?

(Wah Tai Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, April 19.
Princes Tsai, Tao and Tsai San have urged their brother, the Prince Regent, to travel about the Empire for the sake of obtaining an insight into the domestic life of the people. Chang Chih-tung strongly objects to the proposal.

THE PRATAS.

(Wah Tai Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, April 19.
The Pratas affair is being discussed by the Waipupu and the Japanese Minister. It is proposed that the Islands be thrown open as a treaty port, special privileges being accorded the Japanese.

WHOLESALE DENUNCIATION.

(Wah Tai Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, April 19.
Vicoroy Chan Kai-tai, of Kiangsu, denounces T'atou Choi Nai Wang, of Shanghai, as a reckless, unprincipled and corrupt official who should be dismissed from office.

SALT SHORTAGE IN KWANTUNG.

(Wah Tai Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, April 19.
Vicoroy Chang, of Canton, reports that there is a shortage of salt in Kwantung and he asks that two hundred thousand piculs be sent from Chihli and Shantung to meet the demand, and that this salt should be relieved of Customs dues.
Imperial sanction has been given to the request.

THE RECOVERY OF A BANK DRAFT.

The case in which Man Lee Chan and Co., sued the International Banking Corporation for \$340 in respect to a bank draft, came again before Mr Justice Gompertz, at the Supreme Court, this morning.
Hon. Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., instructed by Mr Otto Kong Sing, appeared for the plaintiff, and the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr C. D. Wilkinson, defended.
Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., for the plaintiffs submitted that the defendants were not protected by the statute because the bill which they paid did not, on the face of it, purport to be endorsed by the person in whose favor it was drawn. The bill was drawn in English payable to a firm whose name was on it in English, Man Lee Chan and Co.
His Lordship:—Perhaps that is the only way which it could be drawn.
Sir Henry Berkeley:—Yes, Continuing, Sir Henry Berkeley said that they looked for the only proper endorsement, which could purport to be of Man Lee Chan and Co., in English.
His Lordship:—If they take any other endorsement they take it at their own risk.
Sir Henry Berkeley submitted further that if a bill drawn in English with the name in English is not endorsed in English it is not properly endorsed if it is Chinese. If it could properly be endorsed in Chinese the onus lay with the banker to show that the endorsement in Chinese duly represented, in the Chinese characters, the name of the payee. So far as the evidence had gone the plaintiffs declared that the endorsement Man Lee Chan Sing Kee and Co., does not represent the Chinese equivalent of the name in English of Man Lee Chan and Co. There was as yet no evidence to the contrary and the Court must therefore accept that and it was impossible to non-suit on those grounds.
His Lordship:—Yes, I think that.
Dealing with the question of good faith Sir Henry Berkeley said that Mr Pollock had argued that the element of good faith did not enter into the construction of the act and that it was confined to section 80 of the Bills of Exchange act. That was a contention which could not be supported. On the face of it, it went too far as it would make it possible to pay the money in bad faith which was ridiculous. If they had not acted in good faith they were not protected. A banker who paid a bill within a few days, almost hours, of which the bank had been informed that it was stolen should not be held by the Court to have acted in good faith in the ordinary course of business within the meaning of the words used in the statute. Sir Henry Berkeley then dealt with the illegality for conversion and for the money held in trust and said that by paying the money the bank had acknowledged that they held the money in trust, for further particulars, the number of the draft, place of issue, etc. He called subsequently and witness advised him to wire to the drawers advising them to communicate with the defendants to stop payment and give full particulars. Witness did not hear from the drawers by which reached defendants long after the draft had been paid. No telegram was received corresponding with that letter. Before the payment was made the person did not tell witness the number of the draft, place of issue, etc. Witness was completely ignorant of these facts when the draft was paid. The defendants received a letter from Mr Otto Kong Sing with reference to the draft and a reply was forwarded, witness being consulted with regard to it. No notice in writing was tendered to witness with regard to the draft and witness explained that he would have had to have gone right through the register before he could have traced the draft.
His Lordship reserved his decision.

CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
A FALSE SCENE.
The authorities lately were informed that the well-known pirate Luk Lau Chun, whose various infamies have made his name so dreaded on the river, was in hiding at Singapore. Officials were sent to that port in order to effect his arrest if possible but on arrival it was found that the man was no longer there. The Vicoroy has given directions that the detectives use all their efforts and skill to arrest this disturber of the peace before he causes further trouble.
A PIRATE'S FURNERAL.
A follower of the above-mentioned desperado, and himself the author of many crimes, was lately arrested and tried. His many enormities being proved against him he was, in due course, beheaded. By some means or other the criminal's uncle managed to get possession of the corpse. It is stated that over one hundred and eighty of the pirate's associates were present at the funeral. They followed the coffin in procession, all of them being armed; to the teeth in expectation of a collision with the police.
The Mayor of Adelaide has told his council the other day that the decision of the Tramways Trust not to run electric cars on Sunday mornings was Sabbatarianism run mad, and intimated that a deputation would approach the managing engineer on the point.
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AN INFECTED AREA.

A special meeting of the Sanitary Board was held to-day, for the purpose of dedicating No. 12 shed of the Dairy Farm Company's premises at Sassoon's Villa, Pokfulam Road, to be infected with rinderpest. The Colonial Veterinary surgeon reported that rinderpest had broken out in No. 12 shed of the Dairy Farm Company's premises at Sassoon's Villa, Pokfulam Road. There were seven cows and one calf in the shed. One of the cows was noticed to be ill on the 18th inst., and removed to the hospital shed. The disease proved to be rinderpest and the remainder of the cows were also removed to the hospital shed. The first cow attacked died on the 19th inst. The remainder had been inoculated.
Mr R. O. Hutchison presided and there were present Dr Fitzwilliams, Mr Shelton Hooper, Mr Ho Kung Tong, Dr Clarke, Medical Officer of Health, Mr Lau Chu Pak, the secretary, Mr W. Bowen-Knowlton, and Mr Adam Gibson, Colonial Veterinary Surgeon.
The President moved that the sheds be declared an infected area.
Mr Lau Chu Pak seconded and the motion was carried.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE V.R.C. SPORTS.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")
Sir,—I am obliged to you for kindly clearing up a misunderstanding which existed regarding my status as an amateur runner. At the V.R.C. sports I was clearly entitled to compete, being a member of the Hongkong A.A.A., and I was greatly disappointed that the other entrants in the races for which I entered did not come out, for although I secured the prizes it would have been far more satisfactory to me to have been properly competed against. I have always tried to act as a sportsman both on and off the track, as will be shown by the enclosed letter from the Captain of the Pretoria Harriers Association which was sent to the Secretary of the Hongkong A.A.A. and was the means of my securing admission as a member of that body. I will thank you to publish it.—Faithfully yours,
A. W. ANDREWS.
(Copy).

The Hon. Secretary,
Amateur Athletic Club, Hongkong.

Dear Sir,
I have just learned with much regret that you have accepted Lance-Capt. A. W. Andrews, of the Buffs, now stationed at Murray Barracks, and a member of the Pretoria Harriers and Athletic Club, of being a professional athlete. I can only conclude that you are under a serious misapprehension in regard to the rules and laws governing amateur athletes, or otherwise you are an amateur, for some unknown reason, to perpetuate an act of gross injustice.
Your contention is, I understand, that a soldier who receives a cash prize at Regimental or purely Military Meetings is a professional athlete and that for that reason, you so classify Corporal Andrews.
Now let me quote from the laws of the Transvaal A.A.A., which are in line with those of the British A.A.A., the recognized controlling body of amateur athletes and by which Andrews is classified as a professional athlete, though indirectly, by means of a District Association (if such exists) to which you are affiliated.—Clause C, Law No. 1, reads:—
"Competitions at arms between Volunteers and Regulars and all Regimental Sports shall be deemed to be professional within the scope of the Association Laws."
The above ruling has always been recognized in South Africa, and I am referring a copy of this correspondence to the Pretoria District Centre of the Transvaal A.A.A. for a certificate regarding the amateur status of the athlete mentioned.
I would also point out that the Pretoria Harriers A.C. is recognized as one of the strongest and keenest Athletic Clubs both actively and in administrative circles in this country, and the Executive would, under any circumstances, admit to the honor of membership of anyone to whom the slightest suspicion could be taken.
Regarding Corporal Andrews personally, I have to inform you that he has been a most loyal and active member for the last two years and has always, even at inconvenience to himself, been available as first-class Quarter Mile for the Club 1st Relay Team: in fact, he was a member of the team which established the present S.A. record of 3 min. 45 1/2 secs. for a 2/220, 440, 880 race at the Johannesburg Caledonian Sports in May last. He has proved himself a most sportsmanlike amateur runner, one who always "played the game."
I was in the winning team with him at Krugersdorp Caledonian Sports on 9th Nov. 1907, when Pte G. Cutts, the present S.A. Army 800 Yards champion, was also a member. Cutts is now stationed at Winburg, C.O., and is running under Cape Colony A.A.A. and C.A. rules. Sapper Churchill, the Army Quarter Mile champion, is also a champion of the Orange River Colony under O.R.C. A.A.A. and C.A. laws, and Andrews himself, now the present S.A. Army open Quarter Mile champion, has also competed in that Colony in addition to the Transvaal, and I believe, when at Harpersburg, he also ran in Natal.
At any rate, the above instances prove conclusively that Andrews and other soldiers in similar circumstances are not classified by S.A. amateur bodies (and consequently by the British A.A.A. and C.A. to which the South African A.A.A. and C.A. are affiliated) as professional athletes and are entitled to compete as amateurs.
Of course, a soldier who infringes the laws by competing in any open event not under Association rules is liable to disqualification in the same way as a civilian athlete.
I trust, therefore, that you will withdraw your contention, which I can assure you is quite unwarranted and totally undeserved, and exonerate Corporal Andrews from all suspicion.
I have the honour to be,
Dear Sir, Yours faithfully,
The Captain,
Pretoria Harriers Athletic Club.

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CHINESE Y.M.C.A.

On Thursday night at 8 o'clock Dr. Lau Lai will deliver a lecture on the subject "Prevention of Malaria and kindred diseases."
On Saturday, 24th April, a Concert will be given in the Association Hall for the benefit of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. Band. This organization is making splendid progress under the capable guidance of Mr G. J. Davis as Band Master. A rare combination of Chinese and English entertainment has been arranged by the Committee. The profit will be devoted to the Band funds for instruments, etc.
On Thursday the 29th April, Mr A. C. Franklin, of the Government Civil Hospital, will give a lecture on "Origin of Rock with local specimens." There will be a number of lantern slides.

SPORTING.

Lawn Tennis.

THE HONGKONG TOURNAMENT.
Again there was a large attendance of interested spectators at the Hongkong Cricket Club's ground yesterday afternoon to witness some of the games played off in connection with the lawn tennis tournament which is drawing to a close. Greatest interest was evinced in the concluding semi-final and the subsequent commencement of the final in the Professional Paris competition.
PROFESSIONAL PAIRS SEMI-FINAL.
The semi-final saw Capt. Beasley and Lieut. Byrne opposed to Capt. Murray and Lieut. Thompson. The issue was never in doubt and in the end Beasley and Byrne claimed the match by two sets to love and 12 games to 6. The victory was secured by sound judgment on the part of both the winning men. Thompson was the better man on the other side, several of his hard hits completely baffling his opponents. There was far too much "lobbing" to invest the contest with more than passing interest to the spectators.
PROFESSIONAL PAIRS FINAL.
The final, which followed immediately, produced some fine play, and it was unfortunate that the falling light made a finish impossible. The contestants were the winners of the fore-going match and T. E. Pearce and P. H. Klimanek. The opening set saw the military men walking away with the spoils, for they ended up a love set with a love game.
For a time in the second trial the leaders continued their victorious career, and at the fourth game they held an advantage of 5/1. Mainly as the result of Pearce's good work the civilians drew level. At the eighth and tenth games also the pairs were on unequal footing, though Pearce and Klimanek should have won the set by 6/4, they being twice within one point of victory. However they lost the game as well as the two subsequent ones, the set going in favour of the military men by 7/5.
Beasley and Byrne had now only to secure the next set to become winners of the competition, and the run of play for the first seven games was all in favour of their obtaining the distinction. Using much better judgment than their opponents, they made the score 5/2, but then a most remarkable change came over the contest. In was Klimanek's service when he led the leaders 15/80. In the subsequent game they experienced exceedingly hard lines, the set and match being thrice within reach but for one single point. Pearce, however, was wonderfully agile, and with one of these "smashes" which is characteristic of his play he made the score 5/4. Then a love game put victory further away from the civilians. Turning the tables on the other men Pearce and Klimanek took the lead on the eleventh game, but "six all" was soon called. The lead was being lost and game put further away from the civilians. Pair for pair the military men were without question the more consistent players, and they should have obtained the verdict with ease. They, however, could not stand the pace towards the end, but they were obviously at a disadvantage in having previously gone through a semi-final. Their placing of the ball, especially Beasley's, caused the other men a good deal of discomfort, but it is also due to the civilians to say that they showed a wonderful improvement during the closing stages of play. This was particularly true of Pearce, who was playing a bright, forceful and strong game when hostilities were suspended.
DOUBLES HANDICAP SEMI-FINAL.
There was a severe tussle fought out in the semi-final of the "A" Class Doubles Handicap. P. O. Hutchison and T. H. King (res.) were eventually crowned champions, and P. G. Carroll by two sets to one and 22 games to 19. At the close of the second set it was a case of "six all," games all, the record reading 10/8 in the winning pair's favour and 8/6 against. In the concluding set, however, Hutchison and King came out strongly and got home by 6/3. They will now have to meet Lieut. Byrne and Lieut. Whyte (owe 30/2) in the final.

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AMOI NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

WATKINS.

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A very violent North-East gale came on Thursday morning last, bringing a welcome change from the heat of the previous week. Several people affirm they felt a distinct earthquake shock just 4 o'clock on Thursday morning, the 15th inst. The shock lasted about 10 seconds, but was in no way severe.

The Amoy Bachelors gave a dance last night in the Club Theatre at 9 p.m. Music of a very excellent character was supplied by the band of S.M.S. Luchs.

S.M.S. Luchs arrived in port on Thursday afternoon from Foochow and is still here.

SHIPPING.

Quarantine has been imposed on passengers from Amoy to Manila. The China and Manila S.S. Co.'s Zafiro was the last boat to leave, taking nearly 500 passengers, with over 100 first class.

The Blue Funnel S.S. Perseus is due this afternoon, and is taking the Singapore berth. She will carry some 1200 coolies.

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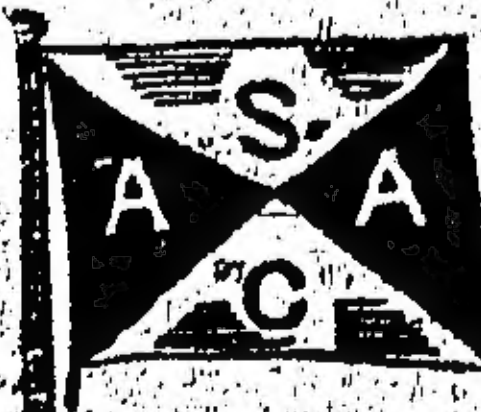
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Hongkong, April 15, 1909.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed at once at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after MONDAY, April 19th, 1909, will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All Cargo undelivered on FRIDAY, April 23rd, 1909, at Noon, will be subject to rent.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined in the above Company's Godowns on WEDNESDAY, April 21st, 1909, at 10 a.m.

S. SILVERSTONE,

Agent.

Hongkong, April 16, 1909.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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Agents.

Hongkong, April 15, 1909.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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